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Amendments to the Specification

Please amend the specification as follows:

On page 4 of the English translation, please replace the paragraph that starts with the heading "Production of taurolidine:" and ends with the word "taurultame" with the following amended paragraph:

Production of taurolidine:

The use of β -azido-ethane-sulfonyl-azide is described in DE 195 15 976 C1 for the production of taurinamide or the production of taurolidine. A method for the production of 2-amino-ethane-sulfonyl-acidic acid addition salts is further described in DE-197 08 872 C1 DE 197 08 782 C1, which then can be converted in known manner to taurolidine or taurultame.

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REMARKS

Examination and consideration of the application as amended is requested and allowance at an early date is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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